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LETTER DATED 11 AUGUST 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letters, the most recent of which is contained in document S/26238, I have the honour to inform you that the Iranian regime has continued to bombard border areas in the northern part of Iraq as follows:

1. On the night of 31 July/1 August 1993, Iranian artillery shelling concentrated on the following areas:

(a) The Balinkan valley north of Raniyah township.

(b) The Shahidan valley north of Qal'at Dizah township.

(c) Wasan village south of Galalah; this shelling killed two inhabitants of the village, wounded four others, damaged a number of houses and killed a number of cattle.

(d) Several villages on the western slopes of Qindil slope north-east of Qal'at Dizah.

(e) The villages of Kuwaynah and Karalan south-west of Panjwin township.

2. On the night of 1/2 August, the Iranian regime's artillery shelled the villages of Aniyah, Maranah, Khush Khan, Mazdayan, Sakran, Shaykh Wasman and Duliyan in the Choman border district of Irbil governorate. The shelling killed and wounded a number of the inhabitants of these villages, who fled in the direction of the Diyanah area to escape the bombardment.

The Government of the Republic of Iraq protests in the strongest terms against these fresh Iranian acts of aggression, which constitute a flagrant violation of Iraq's sovereignty and blatant intervention in its internal affairs, and it condemns the Iranian regime's persistent violation of Security Council resolution 598 (1987).

The Government of the Republic of Iraq requests your intervention to prevent the Iranian side from repeating such acts, which are contrary to the norms of international law and the Charter of the United Nations, and it reserves its full right to respond by using any appropriate means in order to safeguard Iraq's legitimate rights.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
Ambassador
Permanent Representative